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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Hiroshi KOMATSU)
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Application No.: 10/052,638) Group Art Unit: 2871
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Filed: January 23, 2002) Examiner: M. Ton
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For: IN-PLANE SWITCHING MODE)
LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY)
DEVICE)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In reply to the Office Action dated September 2, 2003, the period for response extending to December 2, 2003, please reconsider the above-referenced application in view of the following remarks presented on page 2 of this paper:

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REMARKS

In the Office Action dated September 2, 2003, the Examiner rejected claims 20-50 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-16 of U.S. Patent No. 6,259,502 to Komatsu ("Komatsu 1") and claims 1-10 of U.S. Patent No. 6,384,888, to Komatsu ("Komatsu 2").

Applicants file concurrently herewith a Terminal Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(c) and respectfully submit that the obviousness rejections based on Komatsu 1 and Komatsu 2 are moot. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the rejections to claims 20-50.


In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully requests the reconsideration and reexamination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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